

# Chicopee Register



Paula Lamarre, a second grade teacher at Fairview Elementary School, receives accolades at Friendly's Restaurant on Memorial Drive March 2. The chain honored Lamarre for her commitment to educating the city's youth.

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**By Dalton Zbierski**  
Staff Writer

Last Monday evening, an unsuspecting Chicopee educator walked through the doors of the Friendly's Restaurant on Memorial Drive anticipating a quiet dinner. Upon entering the dining area, she instead came across a surprise celebration, one that was dedicated specifically to her.

Paula Lamarre, a second grade teacher at Fairview Memorial Elementary School, was honored by the restaurant March 2 for her longtime commitment to the school district. Lamarre and 20 friends were awarded with free meals as part of Friendly's "Deliciously Celebrated" initiative.

"This is truly, truly overwhelming. I expected a small dinner with free ice cream,"

said Lamarre. "This is what we want to do; we want to promote the great things that happen in Chicopee, and what a way to do it. I'm very humbled and grateful for this."

Lamarre was nominated for the recognition by her close friend and fellow educator, Tina Russo. Russo spent a number of years alongside Lamarre on the Chicopee City-wide PTO; Lamarre currently

serves as the group's scholarship chairperson.

When Russo learned of the restaurant's campaign, she could think of no better nominee than Lamarre and wasted no time submitting an application.

"Paula was the first person who popped into my mind because Paula just does; when we

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COMMUNITY

## Police extinguish fire in fundraising duel

*'Battle of the Badges' raises funds, camaraderie in the city*

**By Dalton Zbierski**  
Staff Writer

New year, same result; that was the story of last weekend's Battle of the Badges hockey exhibition at Fitzpatrick Arena in Holyoke. Members of the Chicopee Police Department handily defeated a squad from the Fire Department by a final score of 8-2.

More importantly, the event raised \$10,000, half of which will be distributed to the Boys & Girls Club of Chicopee. The remaining funds are to be split between a scholarship fund benefiting local high

school students and the family of Anthony Spano, a Chicopee firefighter who passed unexpectedly in 2017.

Hundreds of spectators bought tickets to attend the much-anticipated duel between the city's safety officials on March 7. While the Fire Department kept it respectable for much of the match, the police prevailed for the fourth consecutive year and remain undefeated in the annual scrimmage.

"It's a great community event to highlight what's best about our city, and that's the people in our city," said Ward 1 City Councilor Joel McAulliffe, who commented for ChicopeeTV.

The city's public access television studio broadcast the game live on television and



STAFF PHOTO BY DALTON ZBIERSKI

The Chicopee Police and Fire departments face off during the annual "Battle of the Badges" fundraiser at Holyoke's Fitzpatrick Arena. The Police Department took the victory 8-2.

online, allowing Chicopee residents to enjoy the action from home. McAulliffe applauded the safety officials who, over the

course of three periods, left everything they had out on the ice.

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“The Fire and Police departments go out and serve everyday on the front lines, but they also do a lot in the community to help people. That’s what they’re doing today by raising money. It’s another way that they give back, and we’re very grateful,” he said.

Mayor John Vieau took in the exhibition for the first time in his current capacity and commended the character of each individual who helped organize the initiative.

Vieau noted that the match presented members of each department with a unique opportunity to bond. He added that the commitment to building inter-departmental relationships is and will continue to be extremely resourceful.

“When you’re out there in the real world in a real life experience, you have to have each others’ backs and believe in each other. I think that this builds that positive bond between two really essential departments in the city of Chicopee,” said Vieau.

As a result of this year’s Battle of the Badges, the Boys & Girls Club will gain \$5,000. Executive Director Jason Reed



Clara Lambert, 11, helps raise money and awareness for Lorraine's Soup Kitchen and Pantry.

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considered the evening to be “fantastic” and spoke further about the importance of funding the club’s versatile slate of programming.

“Our kids’ interests and needs change constantly so we always try to evolve our program based off of whatever our kids need. Funding from events like this enable us do to do that and have a staff in place that is able to serve the needs of our kids,” said Reed.

Vieau was ecstatic that the club benefited from the charitable event. He detailed his personal connection with the facility on Meadow Street.

“I couldn’t think of a better charity; I grew up down there. I’m a club kid, and it’s something near and dear to my heart. I wouldn’t have missed this



Boys & Girls Club of Chicopee Executive Director Jason Reed (left) and Lynn Morrisette, director of marketing and development, pose with the mascot of the Chicopee Police Department.

for the world; I’m not a mayor today,” said Vieau.

By witnessing “sportsmanship and teamwork,” Reed believes that the chil-



Above: Members of the Fire Department team gather at center ice for opening ceremonies at the annual “Battle of the Badges” ice hockey fundraiser March 7 at Holyoke’s Fitzpatrick Arena.

dren and teenagers on-hand were positively impacted as a result of watching last Saturday’s competition.

Reed credited the city’s safety officials, many of whom are former club kids, for maintaining a steady presence within the organization.

“It’s awesome to see them come back. It’s great because we get to see what the club is able to produce. We can tell our members that they can be a police officer, a firefighter or whatever you want to be,” he said.



The Police Department team gathers for opening ceremonies at the annual “Battle of the Badges” fundraiser March 7. The Police won the friendly game 8-2, while the game took in \$10,000 for various community causes.



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# Senior center to host Vietnam memorial dinner March 30

By Dalton Zbierski  
Staff Writer

To honor all of the veterans who served during the Vietnam Era, the Chicopee Veterans Services Office has partnered with the Friends of the Chicopee Senior Center organizing a memorial dinner to be held at the senior center later this month.

The March 30 initiative will pay tribute to veterans and the families of veterans who served between July 1, 1958 and April 1, 1975, noted Friends President Al Picard. Chicopee’s Director of Veterans Services Stephanie Shaw hopes that the event offers veterans the “welcome home acknowledgement” that they may not have received upon returning home from the Vietnam conflict.

“Chicopee has over 2,000 Vietnam era veterans,” said Shaw. “If we can get 200 people, it would be mind-blowing. It’d give those who represent the veterans and surviving families the delegation to

say, on behalf of its constituents, ‘Welcome home; thank you for your service and sacrifice.’ I think it will be very powerful.”

Picard is optimistic that many of the veterans who attend the upcoming event will discover a resource that they may have been previously unfamiliar with. The RiverMills Center is a state-of-the-art facility; one that most Vietnam veterans are eligible to join.

“We hope that this will bring in new veterans to walk through the door and see what this facility can offer and possibly lead to the expansion of some of these programs,” said Picard. “If we can show what we do here and the quality of work that’s produced in partnership with the VSO, then we should be able to offer some expanded offerings here for veterans.”

Representatives of the Friends, the VSO, VFW, American Legion Post 275 and Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 111 will all contribute to the memorial aspect of the service that will remember

the 15 Chicopee soldiers who were killed during the conflict.

Organizers have sent invitations to officials at both City Hall and the Westover Air Reserve Base. Shaw explained the importance to opening the gathering up to all those affected by the Vietnam conflict.

“We have siblings, nieces, nephews, children of Vietnam veterans still living in Chicopee, and we wanted something to be very open to the public and very inclusive,” she said before shifting focus to the senior center. “We thought that this venue was a really great place, plus it gives us the opportunity to bring in veterans who qualify for the services here who may not have ever taken advantage of them.”

Picard considers the partnership between the Friends, the Council on Aging and the VSO to be a “beautiful, natural fit,” and one that he hopes stays “fused.” Picard was stationed in Seoul, South Korea during the conflict and considers the upcoming event to be personally meaningful.

“There were two of the 15 veterans from Chicopee who were killed that I was very friendly with; they did not come back,” he said. “I identified strongly with the Vietnam vets because I felt their pain in how many of them faced just completely negative comments about their service.”

Today, in the city of Chicopee, residents not only acknowledge Vietnam veterans, they hold them in high regard. Their sacrifices deserve to be recognized, a point that the upcoming event will aim to drive home.

“I think we’re all very grateful that we’ve changed our ways, but the emotional, social and mental health wounds that were inflicted back then based on how we treated those who served then and did what they were asked to do, those are still healing,” said Shaw.

The RiverMills Center is located at 5 W. Main St. The event will feature acoustic music and be catered by Collegian Court.

# Mayor Vieau among celebrity servers for Boy Scouts benefit

Celebrity bartenders will serve customers Wednesday, March 18 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Student Prince Restaurant in Springfield to celebrate the beginning of spring and benefit the Western Massachusetts Council of the Boy Scouts. Free valet parking is available.

Opening celebrity bartenders are Chicopee Mayor John Vieau, West Springfield Mayor Will Reichelt and Springfield Fire Commissioner BJ Calvi. Nine other community leaders from business and education will be taking turns behind the bar throughout the evening.

“This is a tremendous opportunity to help bring Scouting to more youth in Western Massachusetts” said Jeff Glaze, president of the Western Massachusetts Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

ca. “The values-based programs offered through Scouting will make an impact in the lives of the youth we serve, and the values learned in Scouting last a lifetime.”

The event is free to attend and 100 percent of the tips the servers receive will support the Western Massachusetts Council. A dinner menu with four special meals is being offered, with \$50 of the \$75 purchase also going to the Council.

A complete list of celebrity bartenders and how to tip a favorite celebrity online is on the Council’s website, [www.wmascouting.org/server2020](http://www.wmascouting.org/server2020).

The Western Massachusetts Council, BSA serves 6000 youth offering programs for girls and boys from kindergarten to 21 years old.

# Registration underway for annual Easter Egg Hunt at Szot Park

All are invited to the Parks and Recreation’s Department’s annual Easter Egg Hunt to take place Saturday, April 11 at Upper Szot Park.

Check in begins at 11 a.m. followed by festivities including the “Bunny Feet” contest and the hunt, which is organized by age group. Ages 3-years-old and younger start at roughly 11:40 a.m., followed by ages 4-7 and then ages 8-10. Colored eggs will be scattered along the field, filled with candy or prize tickets. Each child will hunt to collect 10 eggs.

Following the hunt, a special appear-

ance will be made by the Easter Bunny, where families may take pictures and meet with their furry friend. Refreshments, snacks and balloons will be available.

The event is limited to the first 275 participants and advance registration is required. The cost is \$5 for Chicopee residents and \$7 for non-residents. Registration ends Thursday, April 9 at 5 p.m. Registration may be done at the Parks and Rec Office at 687 Front St.

For more information, contact the Parks and Rec Office at 594-3481.

# Big Y helps ‘sack hunger’ with donations

SPRINGFIELD – As part of the 10th annual “Sack Hunger/Care to Share” program, Big Y helped to deliver more than 20,000 bags of food to local recipients during the campaign that typically runs through November and December each year.

Since its inception, the family-owned supermarket chain with a store in Chicopee has delivered more than 175,000 bags to food banks within its service area, including the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts.

In addition to the Sack Hunger/Care to Share program, Big Y donates to local

food banks six days a week, including meat and fresh produce, bakery, non-perishable grocery products, frozen food and dairy.

“We are proud to partner with our local food banks every day of the week,” Charles D’Amour, Big Y president and CEO, said. “During the holiday season, our Sack Hunger program really makes it easy for our customers to provide nutritious, non-perishable staple food to those less fortunate within our community. We are grateful to our customers who help support our friends and neighbors in need.”

# Library to host reception for NAMI Art Show that runs through April

The National Alliance on Mental Illness of Western Massachusetts will hold an opening reception for its ninth Annual Art Show, featuring the work of artists living with mental health conditions, Wednesday, April 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Chicopee Public Library, 449 Front St.

The art show will feature works for sale to the public, with proceeds going to the artists. Complimentary refreshments will be served and all are welcome to this special event. The exhibit runs through the end of April.

“Art for the Mind” art show is a ven-

ue for artists with lived experience with mental illness to have a showcase for their work. It is an opportunity to educate about the lives, creativity and abilities of individuals in the community who are affected by this often stigmatized illness.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness of Western Massachusetts is dedicated to helping improve the quality of life for individuals and families affected by mental health conditions through support, education and advocacy. According to statistics, 1 in 5 Americans will face mental health problems every year.

# St. Stan’s School to hold silent auction

St. Stanislaus School announced a Silent/Live Auction will take place Saturday, March 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. in school, 534 Front St.

More than 200 items will be available for folks to bid on, including Boston red Sox tickets, a 55-inch TV, an American Girl Doll, and others. At-


tendants may also participate in Teacup, 50/50 and Lottery Tree raffles. All proceeds will support the school.

Cost is \$5 and in addition to the raffles and auctions, guests may purchase food from the Polish-American kitchen.

For more information, call 592-5135.

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Consumer Protection Week

The Council on Aging will host the Springfield Mayor’s Office of Consumer Information Friday, March 6 at 10 a.m. at Chicopee Council on Aging’s RiverMills Center, 5 West Main St.

The Office of Consumer Information is a Local Consumer program funded by the Massachusetts Office of the Attorney General. Representatives will be available to answer any consumer related questions or concerns.

Census 2020

The Council on Aging will host Zoraia De Jesus Barros, a federal Census specialist Monday, March 9 at 10 a.m. at RiverMills.

This information session will highlight why the Census is important, how citizens may receive help completing it online, and how one may become a paid Census worker.

Celtic Celebration

The Council on Aging will host Davis Bates for “A Celtic Celebration” Tuesday, March 10 at 1 p.m. at RiverMills, 5 West Main St.

Bates, an award-winning storyteller, will present “A Celtic Celebration: Songs and Stories for the Season.” This program will involve audience participation in a variety of cultural traditions, which will include traditional songs from Ireland, Scotland and Wales, and stories. Light refreshments will be served.

Register in advance at RiverMills Center or by calling 534-3698.

This performance is funded in part by a grant from the Chicopee Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

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Red Cross Ready for Seniors

The Council on Aging will offer the program “Red Cross Ready for Seniors” Thursday, March 12 10 a.m. at RiverMills.

Representatives from the American Red Cross of Massachusetts will visit RiverMills Center to present a program that focuses on disaster preparedness and safety. Although this is a free event, registration is required at RiverMills Center or by calling 534-3698.

AARP Homefit

The Council on Aging will offer an AARP HomeFit Program Monday, March 16 at 10 a.m. at RiverMills Center, 5 West Main St.

Dr. Joan Simmons, professor of occupational therapy at Springfield College, will present this program, which will discuss ideas that can help improve safety in the home and decrease one’s risk of falls. Although this is a free event, advance registration is required and may be done at RiverMills Center or by calling 534-3698.

Check Your Meds Day

The Council on Aging will host Louis & Clark Pharmacy for the program titled, “Check Your Meds Day” Wednesday, March 18 at 10 a.m. at RiverMills.

A pharmacist from Louis & Clark Pharmacy will visit the center to go over

any medications folks may have questions about. Although this is a free event, registration is required, and may done at RiverMills Center.

Medication and Safe Disposal Program

The Council on Aging will offer a Medication Safety Disposal Program Wednesday, March 25 at 10 a.m. at RiverMills.

Commonwealth Care Alliance will visit RiverMills to discuss safe ways to dispose of prescription medications and why it is important. A pharmacist will be available to answer questions, as well as a representative from the Hampden County District Attorney’s Office. The Chicopee Police Department will also be on hand if you would like to dispose of any medications appropriately.

While free, advance registration is requested and may done at RiverMills or by calling 534-3698.

Red Sox Opening Day

The Council on Aging will host a Red Sox opening day celebration Thursday, March 26 at 1 p.m. at RiverMills.

All are encouraged to help RiverMills celebrate the opening of the 2020 Boston Red Sox season. Enjoy a hot dog, popcorn and an ice cold drink. This event is sponsored in part by The Arbors Assisted Living.

Friends seeks president

The Friends of Chicopee Senior Citizen’s Inc. is looking for a new president and recording and corresponding secretaries. Installation of newly elected officers shall take place at the June 12 meeting.

The Friends is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping the city’s older adults. The Friends are a main funding source for RiverMills and the Council on Aging. The Friends meet the second Friday of every month at 10 a.m. where fundraising and progress is discussed.

For more information about becoming a member of the Friends or to learn more about the open positions contact Friends Vice President Steve Michalik at 413-532-3544.

Therapeutic Foot Massage

The Council on Aging offers Therapeutic Foot Massages on the fourth Mon-

day of each month beginning starting at 9:30 a.m. at Chicopee Council on Aging’s RiverMills Center, 5 West Main St.

Licensed Massage Therapist Debee Boulanger of Abundant Wellness will be offering these foot massages. Choose from either CBD or an essential oil blend. The cost is \$40 for a 30 minute massage. Folks must register in advance at RiverMills. Upon registration, participants must fill out an intake form which allows Boulanger to maximize the effectiveness and safety of her services.

Yoga

The Council on Aging offers three yoga classes during the week. Chair Yoga is offered every Wednesday beginning at 2 p.m. and is led by Deborah Beiermeister. Monday Morning Yoga is offered every Monday starting at 11 a.m. and is led by Caitlin Lavin. Thursday Afternoon Yoga is offered every Thursday at 3 p.m. and is led by Deborah Beiermeister.

Additionally, the COA and Chicopee Parks and Recreation Department are offering yoga every Tuesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m.

All yoga classes cost \$3 and RiverMills Center, located at 5 West Main St. Call 534-3698 for registration and more information.

Buried in Treasure

The Council on Aging will host the “Buried in Treasures” support group on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at RiverMills Center, 5 West Main St. This is a support group about the compulsive acquiring, saving and hoarding of objects, and people having trouble managing their possessions. To register or for more information, call 534-3698.

Facials

The Council on Aging now offers facials by licensed esthetician Diane Neill the second Wednesday of the month starting at 8:30 a.m. Neill will offer facials on the first and second Wednesday of the month at RiverMills Center, 5 West Main St. Facials start at \$30. Registration is required by calling 534-3698 or by stopping by RiverMills.

Massage Therapy

The Council on Aging now offers chair massages every Thursday and every other Friday at RiverMills Center. Chair massages are given by licensed massage therapist Michelle Zemba of Abundant Wellness. Sessions are designed to relieve stress and pain. Cost is \$15 for a 15-minute session. Registration is required by calling 534-3698 or stopping by RiverMills Center.

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**CLUES ACROSS**

1. A team’s best pitcher  
4. Designer Jacobs  
8. Hip joint  
10. A dialect of English  
11. Portrays  
12. Panic  
13. The head of a team  
15. High priest  
16. League of Legends locale  
17. Protective folds  
18. Treats allergies  
21. Voodoo spirits  
22. Single unit  
23. Unit of measurement  
24. Brew  
25. Burundian franc

26. Self

27. Bengals great

34. Making letters overlap

35. Piece of pizza

36. Illegal drug

37. Card game

38. The highest point in the development

39. Oh, God!

40. Wives (law)

41. Monetary unit of Samoa

42. Supplements with difficulty

43. Valentine’s Day color

**CLUES DOWN**

1. Warm climate tree or shrub

2. Silky case spun by larvae

3. Still in existence

4. Light, two-stranded rope

5. Wear away

6. Beginnings

7. Essence

9. American Standard Code for Information Interchange

10. Path

12. Repeated tones

14. Expresses surprise

15. Monetary unit of Burma

17. When you hope to get there

19. Brighten

20. Fifth note of a major scale

23. Dark brown timbers of tropical trees

24. We all do it

25. Scrounges

26. Unit of energy

27. Begin to be

28. Midway between northeast and east

29. Distinctive practice

30. Succulent plants

31. Performer

32. Gas station term

33. Required

34. Soviet monetary unit

36. Eating house

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need help with the scholarship, Paula just does. Without Paula, it would never get done; she volunteers for so many things. When someone is like that, they should be recognized,” said Russo.

Tracy Oleksiw, general manager of the Chicopee restaurant, described the initiative as being an “Act of Friendliness.” She explained how one can nominate a difference-maker for similar recognition.

“Right now, Friendly’s as a company is encouraging guests to go out and nominate members of the community who they feel have done something extra special,” said Oleksiw. “It could be a teacher, police officer, a volunteer at a homeless shelter or anyone who goes out and makes a difference in the community.”

For Lamarre, the evening was one to remember. Surrounded by family and friends in a restaurant that she enjoys, Lamarre couldn’t help but speak on the mission at hand. She credited all of Chi-

copee’s teachers, maintaining her focus on the PTO’s fundraising efforts.

“Teachers are asked to do so much more than we ever were before. There’s so many more academic [needs], and the PTO helps get the kids those special extra things that they need. The monetary support that the schools don’t have, the PTOs are able to give it,” said Lamarre.

From “K through 12,” Lamarre believes that the district’s parents and teachers have made a “world of difference” during the recent budget crisis. Lamarre also thanked the restaurant for throwing a celebration in her name.

“I don’t think that I’ve done anything more than any other parents or teachers in the district. To get this honor and reward is simply incredible,” she said. “For them to be so supportive of what they people in the community do, it just show’s what a great community partner Friendly’s is. It’s so touching, and I’m really humbled that they took the time to do this for us.”

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AT THE REC

Lifeguard Training Class

The Parks and Recreation Department is holding American Red Cross lifeguard certification classes at the Chicopee Comprehensive High School Pool on Saturdays, March 21, 28 and at the Chicopee High School Pool on April 4. Classes will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Participants must attend all three classes.

The cost is \$295 per person. This course will include certification in Lifeguard Training, CPR/AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and Community First Aid. Participants must be 16 years of age on or before the end of the course. Anyone who wishes to get re-certified, a class will take place Saturday, March 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Chicopee Comp Pool. The cost is \$210 per person.

All participants must take a pre-skills test on the first day of class to be officially enrolled in the course. Register and pay at the Parks Dept.

Tang Soo Do

The Chicopee Parks and Recreation Department is offering classes in Tang Soo Do, a Korean martial art. Come meet with Instructor Master Jeffrey Bulissa, a fourth degree Black Belt in Tang Soo Do and learn about self-defense, confidence and physical fitness. Classes will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings.

The following classes are being offered Little Dragons (ages 5 to 6): 6 to 6:30 p.m., Gups Beginners (ages 7 and up): 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Gups (Advanced) (ages 7 and up): 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Each session consists of eight classes that run now through March 25.

Cost is \$40/Little Dragons \$50/Gups Beginner and Advanced. All classes are held at Chicopee Parks and Recreation Dept. Registration for program at the Chicopee Parks Department 687 Front St.

OPEE Summer Adventures Staff Applications

The Chicopee Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting applications for counselor positions for the OPEE Summer Adventures program. Counsel-

ors must be at least 18-years-old or 17 if they have gone through OPEE's LIT program. The summer day program, held at Fairview Elementary School, will run seven weeks this year from June 29-Aug. 14. Staff applications may be obtained at the 687 Front St. office. For more information, contact Dan at dwoodill@chicopeema.gov.

Open Swim Program

The Parks Department will hold an Open Swim at the Chicopee High School Pool on Sundays from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. now through March 8 at a cost of \$3 per person. The program is open to residents only and positive identification is required at the door. All children 18-years-of-age and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Children who have not been toilet trained must have swim diapers. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 594-3481.

Houston Astros vs. Boston Red Sox

Chicopee Parks and Recreation, in collaboration with The Travel Group, announce a trip on Friday, May 22 to see the Boston Red Sox play the Houston Astros at Fenway Park for a 7:10 p.m. game.

The package includes: roundtrip coach transportation and reserved seats in the infield grandstand (section 11, rows 11-15).

Cost is \$139 per person, and the deadline to register is Friday, April 3. There are a limited number of only 20 seats available for the trip. The bus will depart from Szot Park at a time to be determined.

To register, visit the Chicopee Parks and Recreation Department at 687 Front St. For information, call 594-3481.

Boston Red Sox vs. Chicago Cubs

The Chicopee Parks and Recreation, in collaboration with The Travel Group, would like to announce a four-day getaway trip (June 18-21, 2020) to see the Boston Red Sox take on the Chicago Cubs for two games at Wrigley Field.

The trip includes: roundtrip air from Hartford to Chicago, Illinois, three nights at the Hampton Inn that includes breakfast, reserved tickets for two baseball games, a guided bus tour of Chicago and Navy Pier, and hotel room taxes.

Cost for the trip is \$1,299 (each) for a double, \$1,249 for a triple, and \$1,499 for single occupancy. A \$300 deposit is due at sign up, with full payment due by April 15, 2020.

To sign up, visit the Chicopee Parks Department, 687 Front St. For more information, call 594-3481.

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FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Youth Chess Club

Mondays in March – 4 p.m.

Children of all ability levels are invited to the library to participate in the Youth Chess Club offered throughout the month of March on Monday evenings at 4 p.m. Learn the game or develop strategy with instructor Andy Morris-Friedman. Children younger than 9 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Call 413-594-1800, ext. 4, for more information.

Scholarship application deadline approaching

WESTFIELD – The Horace Smith Fund, now in its 122nd year, has scholarship and fellowship money available for residents of Hampden County graduating from eligible public and private high schools. Scholarship awards of \$12,000 are distributed as \$3,000 annually and renewable each year until graduation. Fellowship awards of \$15,000 are distributed as \$5,000 annually and renewable for two additional years. All recipients must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 each semester.

Recipients are selected on a variety of criteria, including merit, financial need, recommendations and community involvement. Of greatest importance is

the applicant's personal written account of why they feel deserving of the award. All recipients must be full-time students and residents of Hampden County.

At last year's Awards Night Ceremony, The Horace Smith Fund awarded \$411,000 in the form of 28 Scholarships and five Fellowships.

Completed applications must be received either electronically or be mailed to The Horace Smith Fund at 16 Union Ave., Ste. 2K, Westfield, MA 01085, no later than March 15. Applications are available at high school guidance offices, college financial aid offices, online at www.Horace-SmithFund.org or by calling 413-739-4222.

FACES AND PLACES

Elms names fall 2019 Dean's List students

The College of Our Lady of the Elms recently named its Dean's List for the fall 2019 semester of the 2019-2020 academic year. To qualify, a full-time student must earn a GPA of 3.50 or higher, without incompletes.

From Chicopee are Stacy Bessonette, Rosemary Costello, Jillian Coulter, Gena Cram, Brendan Curley, Caitlin Donnelly, Jessica Dow, Pedro Duarte, Summer Dwight,

Richard Elmer, Casandra Feen, Taylor Fontaine, Nantanya Furgal, Ashley Girouard, Victoria Guay, Kayla Harrison, Aleksandra Kagan, Natalya Kalendar, Brianna Kardisco, Mikayla Kenneson, Matthew Kisiel, Kimberly Kolek, Amanda Labonte, Hannah Lafleur, Elizabeth Lolos, Alaysha Marty, Kacie O'Connell, Usman Safeer, Noah Salmon, Megan Senecal, Amy Sliwa, Madison Tighe and Miguel Vazquez.

Chicopee students named to Dean's List at RIT

ROCHESTER, N.Y. - Rochester Institute of Technology recently named its Dean's List for

the fall 2019 semester. From Chicopee are Patrick Byrnes and Natasha Kezer.

Scholarship available through Ad Club

SPRINGFIELD – The Advertising Club of Western Massachusetts Scholarship Committee announces scholarship applications are now available online at adclubwm.org.

Applications will also be available through guidance department at high schools in Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin counties, or by contacting the Ad Club at 413-342-0533.

Western Massachusetts seniors who plan to attend an accredited college or technical school to study advertising communications, marketing or graphic arts and will be attending in September 2020 are encouraged to apply.

The scholarship must be applied against tuition and fees at the school. Candidates will be judged on academic performance, extracurricular activities, community service and/or work experience, a demonstrated interest in advertising, communications, marketing or graphic design, personal recommendations, and a letter of introduction outlining future plans.

In 2020, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded. Completed applications and all support materials must be submitted to the Ad Club and postmarked by Friday, March 31.

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## EDITORIAL

### Be thankful for volunteers

Imagine a world with no volunteers. What kind of impact would that have on our towns, our libraries, our schools and our places of worship?

Volunteers serve to fill an important place in every community.

According to the Corporation for National and Community Service, in 2018, the most recent year for which full statistics are available, 77.4 million people served 6.9 billion hours. That's an estimated value of \$167 billion, based on the Independent Sector's estimate of the average value of a volunteer hour.

Overall, in Massachusetts, there were more than 1.8 million volunteers contributing 141.3 million hours of service for a value of \$3.4 billion. A total of 58 percent of residents donate \$25 or more to charities. While these numbers are good, only 36 percent of Massachusetts residents volunteer, ranking the state 25th among the 50 states and Washington, D.C., so there is plenty of room for improvement.

Still, those statistics show how big of an impact volunteers have on the health and wellbeing of communities locally and across the country.

They tell an important story about how citizens can make a difference in their communities," information from the corporation reads.

"That's why we are calling on Americans to volunteer in their communities, and to invite their friends and families to join."

Volunteers deliver critical services as well as help keep our neighborhoods, parks, rivers and green spaces clean and safe for everyone to enjoy. They also serve an important role in the lives of young people, tutoring, teaching, mentoring and coaching them in a variety of roles.

Our four-legged friends are also greatly served by volunteers, who help with adoptions, rescues, animal shelters and wildlife rehabilitation. Public health is an area dependent on volunteers; doctors and nurses dedicate their time and knowledge to the community.

The rich arts and cultural aspect of the Valley is supported by volunteers, who lead tours at museums and historical societies, take tickets at performing arts events, and coordinate festivals and concerts.

Each and every resident likely interacts with a volunteer at least once a day, so not only should everyone be thankful for their time and efforts, but all residents should also consider a way in which he or she can give back to their community.

The benefits of volunteering are bountiful, learning new skills, connecting with new people and possibly even advancing one's career through an expanded network.

The only requirements are passion and a positive attitude, so consider giving back to the community in an easy and impactful way: volunteer.

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## GUEST COLUMN

Joan E. B. Coombs



### Springing ahead in Daylight Saving Time

When Daylight Saving Time arrived early last Sunday morning, it was protocol to put our clocks ahead one hour. Did you really "Spring ahead?"

During this 2020 Leap Year, especially with that extra day added to the natural calendar, did you jump for joy about the time change? Or, like many of us, did the next morning find you measuring out extra scoops of coffee grounds into the morning-blend brew maker? (And, then, of course, you added several scoops of an energy-burst sweetener, instead of using one teaspoon.)

One wonders if across our earth's Northern Hemisphere gazillions of clock changers climbed their walls in an hourly exercise? Were they able to run, like clock-

work — from room to room pushing all time-measuring instruments one hour ahead? Sometimes, changing clocks, in a home, a school, a business, in a timely manner doesn't always happen.

We can only imagine the conversations after losing an hour's sleep. Or, do we have to imagine?

"Our days aren't long enough. Why take an hour away?" overheard at breakfast time Mumble Grumbles.

"I'm not late for school. The car clock's wrong."

It's not Monday morning already — is it?"

"What's the REAL time?"

"Daylight Savings Time—Why are they saving it, and where do they keep it?" proclaimed by Mr. Anonymous.

"Spring Ahead" is a mnemonic phrase that helps

us to remember when Daylight Saving Time marches ahead. "Fall behind" is another axiom that helps us to remind when Daylight Savings Time retreats toward autumn and winter months.

"Losing an hour's sleep means that getting up in the morning is often a matter of mind over mattress. Gaining an hour of daylight, in an evening, is always a matter of enjoying hours of extended twilight," says me.

Some may feel that our "Spring forward" has sprung. Winter weighed in. Our bounce-per-ounce of energy was totally depleted during this extra Leap Year day plunge. Take courage. Springing ahead in Daylight Saving Time happens only once a year. Until fall. Then it's autumn-matic.



## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Unintended climate experiment

To the editor:

The coronavirus has prompted an economic slowdown which, in turn, has had a dramatic decline in pollution levels over China. NASA has recorded falling levels of nitrogen dioxide partly due to diminishing factory activity in China as manufacturers stop work in an attempt to contain the virus.

A worldwide reduction in travel has also contributed in making a noticeable improve-

ment in the Earth's atmosphere. We should not bank on a pandemic to curb our climate crisis, but instead to lean more heavily on computer technology such as "video conferencing" and "Internet in Relay Chat" to do business.

The proof is in the pudding — as the saying goes — human activity is largely responsible for Earth's destruction.

Bill Paul  
Chicopee

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The deadline for submissions is Friday at noon.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

SHINING STARS GALA. The Greater Chicopee Chamber of Commerce will hold its 35th anniversary Shining Stars Awards Gala Friday, March 6 at 6 p.m. at the Castle of Knights, 1599 Memorial Drive. All are welcome to celebrate the 2020 recipients, which are Business of the Year: Caolo & Bieniek Associates, Citizen of the Year: Ruth Willemain of Harmony House of Western Mass., Nonprofit of the Year: Roca, and Volunteer of the Year: Youssef Fadel.

Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m. followed by the program and awards at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

TEACUP RAFFLE. St. Stanislaus School announced a Silent Auction and Teacup Raffle to take place Saturday, March 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the school, 534 Front St. Admission is \$5 and free for children younger than 4-years-old. For more information, call the school at 592-5135.

SATURDAY, MAY 30

RECYCLING AND CAN DRIVE. The St. Stanislaus School Student Council will hold an Electronics Recycling and Can and Bottle Drive Saturday, May 30 from 8 a.m. to noon at the school, 534 Front St. Folks may deliver their small electronic devices and appliances (no large appliances accepted) as well as redeemable bottles and cans as part of a collection. For more information, call the school at 592-5135.

POETRY

WRITE RIGHT?

By Marge Jesberger  
Chicopee

I consider myself a poet,  
Trouble is “editors don’t know it.”  
Whenever I felt like writing prose,  
My trusty computer jammed, then froze.

Nothing rhymed with the word “bonanza”  
So I had to start a brand new stanza.  
The entire idea made no sense,  
Why did I ever change the tense?

What line is synonymous  
With author anonymous?  
Did inspiration strike too late  
Or did my meter syncopate?

Finally, it was coming together.  
Perhaps, I’ll have it bound in leather?  
Edgar Alan Poe is my is my idol,  
If only he could pen my title!

My anxiety will surely cease,  
Once I complete this masterpiece.  
Okay, I’ll forsake alliteration,  
Forget my dreams of publication.

I hoped my verse would be accepted.  
Instead, it read, “poem-rejected.”  
I guess that I will take the hint.  
Oh wait, “is that my name in Print?”

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SUNDAY, MAY 31

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING. The 25th annual St. Stanislaus School Golf Outing will tee-off Sunday, May 31 at the Chicopee Country Club. Golf begins with lunch and registration at 11:45 a.m. For more information and registration forms, contact Cheryl Pereira at [cpereira@saintstansschool.org](mailto:cpereira@saintstansschool.org) or Kasia Manning at [kmanning@saintstansschool.org](mailto:kmanning@saintstansschool.org).

ONGOING

AMERICAN BOSCH SENIOR TRAVEL CLUB meets every third Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the American Legion Post 452, 37 Exchange St. All are welcome.

AMVETS12 offers dinners twice a month at the AMVETS Post 12, 754 Montgomery St. The second Thursday of each month features a prime rib dinner served from 4 to 6 p.m. Tickets, at a cost of \$13, are required. The third Thursday of the month is a spaghetti dinner from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Tickets are not required, but cost is \$5. Post membership is not required. For more information, call the post at 413-588-8060. No spaghetti dinners will be served in August.

BUILDING BRIDGES VETERANS INITIATIVE offers a free weekly luncheon for veterans at the Chicopee Lodge of Elks, 431 Granby Road, from noon to 1:30 p.m. All veterans are welcome.

Golf tourney returns in June, seeks sponsors

CHICOPEE — Lorraine’s Soup Kitchen & Pantry will hold the annual 2020 Golf Tournament on Wednesday, June 10.

The event starts at 10 a.m. at 1290 Burnett Road. There are five levels of sponsorship packages available ranging from \$250 to \$4,000. The deadline for major sponsors is May 15 and tee sponsors is May 22. For more information about the event or sponsorship, contact Ruben Reyes at [ruben@lorrainessoupkitchen.com](mailto:ruben@lorrainessoupkitchen.com).



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# Sports

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## BOYS BASKETBALL

# Pacers punch ticket back to Western Mass. D2 final

By Tim Peterson

Sports Correspondent

SPRINGFIELD—For the second time in the past three years, the Quabbin and Chicopee boys' basketball teams crossed paths in the Western Massachusetts Division 2 tournament.

The top-seeded Chicopee Pacers advanced into the Western Mass. championship game for the second consecutive year by defeating the fourth-seeded Panthers, 53-39, in a semifinal played at Western New England University on March 4.

"Chicopee is a very good basketball team, and they're the number one seed for a reason," Quabbin coach Dennis Dextraeur said. "We stayed close, but just couldn't get over the hump against a fantastic team with great athleticism."

The Pacers (17-4), who played their first game since Feb. 19, were scheduled to face third-seeded Taconic in the Western Mass. finals at historic Curry Hicks Cage located on the UMass Amherst campus on March 7. They lost to the Braves in last year's finals.

"It feels great to be going back to the finals again," said Chicopee head coach Steve Menard. "We did some really good things in tonight's game, but there are a couple of things



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Tah-Rhelle Bennefield takes a jump shot.

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## ROAD RACE

# St. Patrick's Road Race set for next weekend

By Gregory A. Scibelli

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HOLYOKE – The weather is trending upward and people from far and wide are heading to the St. Patrick's Road Race set for downtown Holyoke on Saturday, March 21 with the main race kicking off at 1 p.m.

More than 6,000 runners and walkers took part in last year's road race, with Louis Serafini of Somerville winning the overall race at 29:37. A local from South Hadley, Danielle Winslow, completed the race at 35:43 and was the top female in the race.

The weather has continued to be milder than normal for the year, and the trend could continue be as the racers have been practicing in weather ranging from 45 to 70 degrees as of

March 9. The early forecasts for race day are calling for temperature in and around 60 degrees and possible rain showers.

Many racers that have taken part in the event in the past have said the somewhat colder temperatures are supposed to help with running.

The 10K Road Race is set 1 p.m. at Maple and Lyman Streets and continuing through some hilly streets in downtown Holyoke.

The race is the second major race that takes place in 2020, following the 10-mile race in Amherst that starts the season for many avid runners.

In this race, the top prize is \$1,000 for the male and female winners. There is also a \$1,000 bonus prize up for grabs if the

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PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

Racers step off in the 2019 St. Patrick's Road Race.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Pacers fall in semifinals

SPRINGFIELD – Last Monday night, Chicopee's potent offense was stopped cold in a 45-27 loss to No. 2 Minnechaug Regional at Western New

England University. It was the second straight playoff appearance for Chicopee, which graduates just one senior and will return most of its lineup next year.



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Nicole Rodriguez attempts to block a shot.



Ella Florence goes for the three-pointer.



Averie Gatzounas surveys the paint looking for a shot.



Yami Matos tries to overcome a block for a score.



## Valley Wheel Baseball looking for new players for 2020 season

REGION – The Valley Wheel Over-30 Baseball League is seeking new players for the upcoming 2020 season, which is set to begin near the end of April. The league is seeking players ages 28 and up. Players turning 28 this year are eligible. However, only players 30 and older can pitch. The league plays 15 regular season games with games being held mostly on Sundays with a couple of weekday games thrown in the mix as well as a special Mother's Day Saturday game in early

May. The league is built on comradery, fair play, and having a good time with friends. If interested in trying out, go to [www.valleywheelbaseball.com](http://www.valleywheelbaseball.com). The rules of the league and new player forms can be found on the site. For further information, you can contact the league's commissioner, Jim Nason at [wheel12@comcast.net](mailto:wheel12@comcast.net) or call him at (413) 433-4308. Tryouts will be taking place in the early weeks of April, weather permitting, with a draft following the tryouts.

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we'll need to fix."

The Pacers also defeated Quabbin in the 2018 quarterfinals by twenty points.

Chicopee senior Kobe Parker suffered an ACL injury in that contest. He returned to the starting line-up against the Panthers in this year's semifinals after having an appendix surgery. He missed the final three games of the regular season.

Parker, who's the newest member of the 1,000-point club, finished with 14 points in the semifinal win. It included a slam dunk following a missed lay-up in the middle of the first quarter.

"Kobe played a great game tonight and I'm never worry about him," Menard said. "He's one of those players, who comes to practice early and he's the last player to leave. Basketball is very important to him and it's been a pleasure to coach him the past four years."

Leading the way offensively for the Pacers was junior Diamian Ocasio, who scored 14 of his game-high 22 points in the first half.

The Panthers, who completed their outstanding season with a 16-6 overall record, began the 2020 postseason tournament by dispatching fifth-seeded Tantasqua, 52-47, at home in the quarterfinals. They failed to qualify for the Western Mass. tournament a year ago.

"We sat out during the playoffs last year after not qualifying, and these kids had the expectations to make it this year," Dextradeur added. "They came back, played for their teammates and proved they could do it."

Prior to this season, Quabbin, which is a Regional High School located in Barre, had gone 1-5 in the Western Mass Division 2 tournament since 2014. The Panthers were hoping to advance into the championship game for the first time since losing to St. Bernard's of Fitchburg in the 2012 Central Mass. Division 2 finals. The only two times that the Panthers have taken home the championship trophy were in 1995 and 1999.

The Chicopee head coach made a couple scouting trips to Barre this winter.

"I've made the trip up to Quabbin a couple of times during the regular season," he said. "They're a very good basketball team and I'm very happy to be moving on."

The four Quabbin seniors, who played in their final high school basketball game against Chicopee, are Tyler Chamberlain, Dylan Hoekstra, Croix Jenkins, and Robert Leroux.

"We're losing four great seniors, who were our leaders this year," Dextradeur said. "We'll have a few returning players and they got a taste of what it's like to play in the semifinals."

Jenkins, who has been a starter on the Panthers varsity basketball team since he was a freshman, has committed to play college baseball next year at New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT), which competes at the Division 1 level.

Ocasio scored 10 of his points during



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Darrian DeJesus keeps the dribble away from his opponent.



Kobe Parker lines up his free throw.

the first quarter of the semifinal game, which helped the Pacers build a 16-4 lead.

Senior Tah-Rhelle Bennefield hit a foul-line jumper during the first eight minutes of the contest. Parker scored the Pacers other four points in the quarter, including his crowd-pleasing dunk.

"The dunk by Kobe got our players and our fans very excited," Menard said. "It was a great way to start the game."

Quabbin junior Shea Skowrya, who led the Panthers with 12 points, scored his team's first eight points of the contest on four inside hoops. Sophomore Connor Geary also reached double figures for the Panthers with 10 points.

The Pacers, who held a 12-point lead at the end of the first quarter, held a 29-17 halftime advantage.

"We've always been down at halftime all year long, but they (Chicopee) wouldn't let us back in the game," Dextradeur said. "That's why they're a good team."

The Panthers managed to stay within striking distance during the third quarter, but they couldn't get their deficit under 12 points.

The Pacers were able to keep the double-digit lead throughout the entire fourth quarter and they made another trip to the Cage a couple of days later.

## Sign-ups ongoing for Quabbin League

REGION – The Quabbin Valley Over-30 Baseball League is seeking new players for 2020 season. The league has six teams, several with open roster spots. Last year, the league voted to allow players age 28 and 29 to be able to join the league, though players under 30 are not eligible to pitch. The cost of the league this season is \$192. For players new to the league, there will be a workout held in early April prior to the league's annual draft. Players

will have an opportunity to showcase their skills before being selected to a team for the season. The season is 15 regular season games plus at least one playoff game. Games are nine innings and metal (BBCOR -3) or wood bats are allowed. Fields locations are throughout Western Mass. For more information on the league, or if you are interested in registering, go to <https://www.quabbinvalleybaseball.org/>. The league is also in Facebook.



PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

Top racers for last year's St. Patrick's Day Road Race warm up right before race time.

### RACE from page 8

course record is broken. There has not been a record-breaking in several years.

The race will also feature the kids race and a two-mile walk. The kids race will be started by the area colleens and their courts.

The Holyoke Grand Colleen and her court will greet the winner of the main road race.

Race Organizer Brian Donoghue anticipates as many as 1,000 children will take part in this year's race thanks to the better weather. Cookies and juice are provided for child participants.

Donoghue said there will be a heavy police presence and security cameras monitoring the area.

For more information or to sign up for the race, go to [www.holyokestpatricksroadrace.org](http://www.holyokestpatricksroadrace.org).

Signups are still ongoing for the race and many different types of people take part in the race, whether it be for competition, charity, a challenge, or just for fun.

Families also make it an event, such as the case for Steve and Sam Gawron of South Hadley, who will run in the race together.

Others, like Griffin's Friends, a group locally that supports children with cancer, round up several harriers and raise money for their cause.

Running groups, like the Western Mass Distance Project, will push each other in the race. Winslow, last year's female winner, is a member of that group.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
By Ma. Gen Laws c.255, Sec. 39A, **CHUCK’S TOWING**, 78 West St., Chicopee, MA is holding a private sale for a vehicle **April 2, 2020 at 2:00 PM** to satisfy garage keepers lien for storage and towing charges and expenses of notices of sale.  
**1999 Honda Accord**  
VIN# 1HGCG3159XA027305  
Owner: Jonathan Mejias  
Date of Tow: 7-15-19  
3/12, 3/19, 3/26/2020

**SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES**  
**UNDER G.L. c.255 Sec. 39A**  
Notice is hereby given by **Interstate Towing, Inc.** pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 255, section 39A, that on **March 20, 2020** at Interstate Towing, Inc the following Motor Vehicles will be sold at private sale to satisfy our garage keeper’s lien thereon for storage, towing charges, care and expenses of notices and sale of said vehicles. .

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VIN: JN8AZ18W99W100816  
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**2010 FORD FUSION SE**  
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**2016 HONDA CIVIC LX**  
VIN: 2HGFC4B03GH302413  
Angel Luis Sanchez Arroyo  
45 Meetinghouse Rd  
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3/05, 3/12, 3/19/2020

**CHICOPEE CITY COUNCIL ZONING COMMITTEE LEGAL NOTICE**  
The Zoning Committee of the Chicopee City Council will hold a public hearing Wednesday, **March 25, 2020 at 6:30 PM** in the Council Chambers, 4th floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013 to discuss the following:  
Special Permit application under 275-52 for the purpose of buying only two cars, fix them and then resell the cars. Would like to hold the cars in

two car garage at the house located at 101 Angela Dr. Applicant – Velma Johnson & Akeem Pitter, 101 Angela Dr., Chicopee, MA 01020.  
Information - Office of the City Council (413) 594-1435. 3/05, 3/12/2020

**Notice**  
**The Massachusetts State Lottery Commission (MSLC) has received a KENO License application from:**  
**Buffalo Wild Wings**  
**480 Memorial Drive**  
**Chicopee, MA**  
Estimated weekly traffic: (number of people): 500  
Current No. of Cashier positions selling Lottery products: 0  
Percentage of floor space currently devoted to Lottery sales: 0%  
Percentage of floor space for KENO sales: 5%  
Estimated annual gross revenues of current Lottery products: \$0  
Estimated percentage of gross revenues from sales of Lottery products: 7%  
Estimated net income to be derived by sales of KENO products at this location: \$6,000  
Written objection to the application, by the Local Licensing Authority, must be received by Gregory Polin, General Counsel, Legal Department, Massachusetts State Lottery, 150 Mount Vernon St., Dorchester, MA 02125 – 3573. 3/12/2020

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
By Ma. Gen Laws c.255, Sec. 39A, **CHUCK’S TOWING, 78 West St., Chicopee, MA** is holding a private sale for a vehicle **March 11, 2020 at 2:00 PM** to satisfy garage keepers lien for storage and towing charges and expenses of notices of sale.

**1992 Honda Accord**  
VIN: 1HGCB7679NA198875  
Owner: Maria Rivera  
Date of Tow: 5-31-19

**2014 Chrysler 200**  
VIN: 1C3CCBAB7EN142005  
Owner: David Sample  
Date of Tow: 6-18-19  
2/27, 03/05, 03/12/2020

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD20C0083CA In the matter of: David Michael Deguise III CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME**

**A Petition to Change Name of Minor** has been filed by **David Michael Deguise III of Chicopee, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

**David Michael Kaafi**  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Hampden Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/01/2020.**  
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.  
WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: March 04, 2020  
**Suzanne T. Seguin**  
Register of Probate  
3/12/2020

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Hampden Division 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-8600 Docket No. HD20P0414EA Estate of: Wilfred R. Delude Also Known As: Wilfred Raymond Delude or Wilfred Delude Date of Death: 01/06/20 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**  
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Kenneth Delude** of Hadley, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.  
**Kenneth Delude** of Hadley, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.  
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. 3/12/2020

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD20C0071CA In the matter of: Laura Isabelle Lak aka Laura Isabelle Dzieciolonski CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME**  
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Laura Isabelle Lak aka Laura Isabelle Dzieciolonski of Chicopee, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:  
**Isabelle Laura Lak**  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Hampden Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/30/2020.**  
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.  
WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: March 02, 2020  
**Suzanne T. Seguin**  
Register of Probate  
3/12/2020

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD20P0307EA Estate of: Jeffrey John Lane Also known as: Jeffrey J Lane Date of Death: 08/15/2018 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**  
To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Cheryl E Lane** of Chicopee, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.  
The Petitioner requests that: **Cheryl E Lane** of Chicopee, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the**

**return day of 03/30/2020.**  
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.  
**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**  
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.  
WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: March 02, 2020  
**Suzanne T. Seguin**  
Register of Probate  
3/12/2020

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD20C0075CA In the matter of: Jamie Marie Taylor A.K.A. Jamie Marie Sharpe CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME**  
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Jamie Marie Taylor A.K.A. Jamie Marie Sharpe of Chicopee, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:  
**Jamie Sharpe Taylor**  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Hampden Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/30/2020.**  
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.  
WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: March 02, 2020  
**Suzanne T. Seguin**  
Register of Probate  
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Please check the accuracy of your legal notice prior to submission (i.e., date, time, spelling).

Also, be sure the requested publication date coincides with the purpose of the notice, or as the law demands.

Thank you.





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Look for registration soon at <http://collegebaseballcamps.com/minuteman/>

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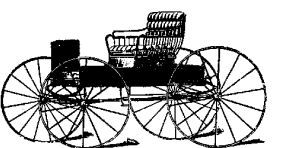
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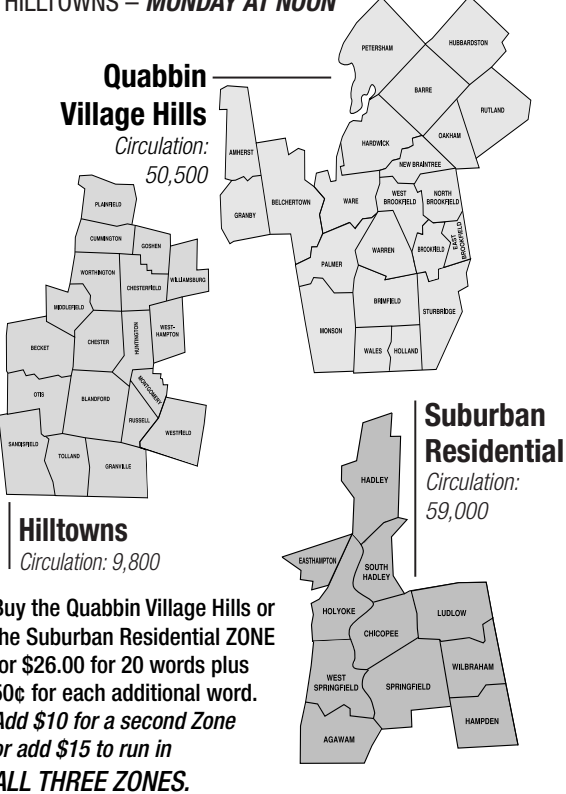
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A healthy new approach for school lunches citywide

By Dalton Zbierski  
Staff Writer

As they enter a new decade, Chicopee students are also being introduced to healthier eating options. Across the school district, cafeteria staff members are learning new techniques that will allow them to prepare more nutritional meals for the city’s youth.

Sam Icklan, director of Project Bread’s Chefs in Schools program, has maintained a steady presence in the district’s schools throughout the academic year. Assigned to Chicopee by the Boston-based anti-hunger non-profit organization, Icklan has been tasked with improving the quality of the food that students eat daily.

“Our interest in school meals is that students, par-

ticularly low-income students, are relying on school meals for up to 50 percent of their daily calories; even more sometimes. We want to make sure the nutrition they’re getting in school is sound as possible,” said Icklan, who has worked in more than 50 school cafeterias over the course of his career.

The Chefs program partners with school districts throughout the state, currently operating in Chicopee, Amherst, Athol-Royalston, Waltham, Salem and Lawrence.

In several of the city’s schools, Icklan has provided cafeteria staff with hours of training and a variety of new recipes. Noting that staff members should “feel equipped to feed the students,” he complimented them on their



Brian Dobosz, a Bowie Elementary staff member prepares a meal during the lunch hour. A chef from the organization Project Bread has been assigned to Chicopee Public Schools to introduce healthier eating options to students.



Chef Sam Icklan prepares lunch for students at Bowie Elementary School. Icklan, from Project Bread, has been assigned to Chicopee Public Schools to introduce healthier eating options to students.

professionalism and willingness to learn.

“We’re stationed with the cafeteria staff in the kitchens where they’re working. We’re doing the work alongside them in

real time. We’re really interacting a lot and imparting skills and information about the recipes so that the staff can reproduce them even when the chef isn’t there,” he said.

Food Services Director Melanie Wilk has been impressed by Icklan’s leadership. She noted that Chicopee hopes to continue its relationship with him and the organization. Wilk also complimented the district’s cafeteria staff for being open-minded to the new approach.

“Our staff is really open to trying new things and having the chef come in and having to chop all of their vegetables instead of using pre-canned fruit or frozen vegetables. That’s not true in a lot of districts, so I’ve been really happy that the staff rolls with the punches; they’ve been great about trying new things,” said Wilk.

Greta Shwachman, the district’s Farm-to-School program coordinator, believes Icklan has brought new energy into each of the schools that he’s visited. Icklan has been successful at garnering the interests of the students, she noted.

“It’s all about trying

things. Any time someone new comes into the cafeteria environment, it’s an extra reason for the kids to try their lunch and get their hands on the new thing. Then, the more they try it, the more they like it,” said Shwachman.

As for feeding children at home, Wilk recommends that parents maintain patience. She noted that it can take up to 20 times for a child to take a liking to a certain food item.

While one isn’t advised to push his or her child too aggressively, or offer candy as a reward, parents are advised to be persistent when introducing children to new, healthy foods.

“Don’t stop trying; kids are picky. I’m a dietician and have picky kids myself so I get it,” she said. “You just have to keep trying; even if you serve a small portion so the food isn’t wasted. As long as they see it and it’s on their plate, they will probably try it and like it.”

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